

OLD ST. JOHN'S CHURCH  
RICHMOND, VA.



OLD ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.—This venerable and historic edifice stands upon the site of an old Indian Settlement. The original structure (complete in 1741 when the Old Dominion owed allegiance to George III, and the Protestant Church of Virginia was in the jurisdiction of the Bishop of London), has undergone several alterations and enlargements, but much of it still remains, forming the East and the West transepts of the present building. Here was held the Virginia Convention, during a session of which Patrick Henry delivered his famous speech ("Give me Liberty or give me Death"). The surrounding burial ground contains many curious tombs and unique epitaphs.

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